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| pqr-package | Regularized projection score estimation of treatment effects in high-<br>dimensional quantile regression |
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|         | gression  |

# Description

This function provides the confidence intevals of individual coefficient of high-dimensional quantile regression by a regularized projection score method for estimating treatment effects. One-step estimation procedure can speed up computation, and the Bootstrap method can narrow the length of CI.

# Usage

# Arguments

| У      | The response, a vector of size $n$   |
|--------|--|
| x      | The treatment effects, a matrix with dimension $n \times p$  |
| z      | The confounders a matrix with dimension $n \times q$   |
| tau    | The given quantile, a scale in the unit inteval  |
| method | The method including "OneStep", "Iterative". "OneStep" denotes one-step method (Feng et al. 2019); "Iterative" denotes that the iteration stops when algorithm conveges. Default is "OneStep". |

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| pen       | The penalty including "glasso" and "lasso". "glasso" denotes the grouped lasso that is used in the regression of treatment effect on confounders; "lasso" denotes the lasso. Default is "glasso". |
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| eps       | The perturbation when the proposed algorithm is used. Default is epsilon=1e-6.  |
| sim.level | The length of tuning parameter $\alpha$ which is selected automatically. Default is 50.   |
| iter.num  | The number of iteration if method="Iterative" is used. Default is 100.  |
| RCV       | Use refitted cross validation method and wild bootstrap to estimate the asymptotic covariance matrix. Default is False.   |
| K         | The number of repeated RCV. Default is 1.   |
| weights   | The weights used for wild bootstrap; if not specified (=NULL). Default is NULL.   |
| В         | The size for bootstrap. Default is 1000.  |

#### Value

| ests | Estimator of $\beta$ . It is a list.                         |
|------|--|
| covs | Covariance matrix of $\beta$ . It is a $d \times d$ -matrix. |

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# **Examples**

```
library(pqr)
library(SparseM)
library(quantreg)
n <- 50
d <- 3
s <- 3
p <- 20
alpha <- 0.95
beta \leftarrow rep(3,d)
eta <- c(rep(3,s),numeric(p-s))</pre>
x <- matrix(rnorm(n*d),n,d)</pre>
z \leftarrow matrix(rnorm(n*(p-1)),n,p-1)
y \leftarrow x\%*beta + cbind(1,z)%*%eta + rnorm(n)
fit <- inferen(y,x,z,tau=0.5)</pre>
ests <- fit$ests
est.coef <- ests$coef
boot.var <- diag(fit$cov)</pre>
lbounds <- \ ests\\ \\ scoef - \\ qnorm((1+alpha)/2)\\ \\ *sqrt(boot.var)
ubounds <- ests$coef + qnorm((1+alpha)/2)*sqrt(boot.var)</pre>
counts <- ifelse(lbounds<beta&beta<ubounds,1,0)</pre>
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mvr Provide CI of individual coefficient of high-dimensional quantile regression

#### **Description**

This function provides the coefficient matrix estimator of high-dimensional multivariate regression (MVR) with penalty lasso (mcp or scad). The tuning parameter is selected by BIC (the default), AIC, EBIC, CV, or GCV.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

| 8 | guments     |   |  |
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|   | у           | The response, a vector of size $n$ or a matrix of size $n \times q$   |  |
|   | X           | The treatment effects, a matrix with dimension $n \times p$   |  |
|   | method      | The method to be applied to select parameters. Either BIC (the default), AIC, EBIC, ${\sf CV}$ , or ${\sf GCV}$ .   |  |
|   | ncv         | The number of cross-validation folds. Default is 10. If method is not CV, ncv is useless.   |  |
|   | penalty     | The penalty to be applied to the model. Either "LASSO" (the default), "SCAD", or "MCP".   |  |
|   | isPenColumn | A logical value indicating whether the coefficients associating with $X_j$ that affects whole response $y$ is penalized. Default is TRUE. If isPenColumn is TRUE, the coefficients associating with $X_j$ that affects simultaneously whole response $y$ is penalized for each $j \in \{1, \cdots, p\}$ . If isPenColumn is FALSE, the coefficients associating with $X_j$ that affects single response $y_l$ is penalized for each $j \in \{1, \cdots, p\}$ , where $l \in \{1, \cdots, q\}$ . |  |
|   | lambda      | A user-specified sequence of lambda values. By default, a sequence of values of length nlam is computed, equally spaced on the log scale.   |  |
|   | nlam        | The number of lambda values. Default is 50.   |  |
|   | intercept   | Should intercept(s) be fitted (default=TRUE) or set to zero (FALSE)?  |  |
|   | 1           |   |  |

lam\_min The smallest value for lambda, as a fraction of lambda.max. Default is 1e-3.

eps Convergence threshhold. The algorithm iterates until the relative change in any

coefficient is less than eps1. Default is 1e-4.

maxstep Maximum number of iterations. Default is 20.

gamma\_pen The tuning parameter of the MCP/SCAD penalty (see details).

dfmax Upper bound for the number of nonzero coefficients. Default is no upper bound.

However, for large data sets, computational burden may be heavy for models

with a large number of nonzero coefficients.

alpha Tuning parameter for the Mnet estimator which controls the relative contri-

butions from the LASSO, MCP/SCAD penalty and the ridge, or L2 penalty. alpha=1 is equivalent to LASSO, MCP/SCAD penalty, while alpha=0 would be equivalent to ridge regression. However, alpha=0 is not supported; alpha

may be arbitrarily small, but not exactly 0.

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#### Value

Bhat Estimator of Bhat.

rss Residual sum of squares (RSS).

activeX The active set of X. It is a p dimensional vector.

lambda The sequence of regularization parameter values in the path.

selectedID The index of lambda corresponding to lambda\_opt.

lambda\_opt The value of lambda with the minimum BIC value.

bic BIC value used to select variables.

muhat Estimator of intercept  $\mu$ .

Y Response Y. X Design matrix X.

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# **Examples**

```
library(pqr)

n <- 100
q <- 5
s <- 3
p <- 100
B <- matrix(runif(q*s, 2,3), s)
x <- matrix(rnorm(n*p),n,p)
y <- x[,1:s]%*%B + rnorm(n)
fit <- mvr(y,x)
fit$activeX
fit$Bhat
which(rowSums(fit$Bhat^2)>0)
fit$muhat
```

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